## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

In the Matter of the Unlicensed Activity of:

No. 06F-BD027-BNK

DANA CAPITAL GROUP, INC. AND DANA H. SMITH, PRESIDENT

8001 Irvine Center Drive, Suite 1200 Irvine, California 92618

CONSENT ORDER

5

1

2

3

4

6

7

9

8

10

11

12 13

14

15 16

17

18 19

20

21 22

23

24

25

26

On January 20, 2006, the Arizona Department of Financial Institutions ("Department") issued a Notice of Hearing alleging that Petitioners had violated Arizona law. Wishing to resolve this matter in lieu of an administrative hearing and without admitting liability, Petitioners consent to the entry of the following Order.

Petitioners.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- Petitioner Dana Capital Group, Inc. ("Dana") is a California corporation that is not 1 and was not at any time material herein, authorized to transact business in Arizona as a mortgage broker, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 6-901, et seq. The nature of Dana's business is that of making, negotiating, or offering to make or negotiate loans secured by Arizona real property, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 6-901(6).
- Petitioner Dana H. Smith ("Mr. Smith") is the President of Dana. Mr. Smith is not 2. and was not at any time material herein authorized to transact business in Arizona as a mortgage broker within the meaning of A.R.S. § 6-901 et seq.
- Neither Dana nor Mr. Smith is exempt from licensure as a mortgage broker within the 3. meaning of A.R.S. § 6-902.
- While conducting a scheduled examination of Dana Capital Group of Arizona, Inc. 4. DBA Dana Capital Group, a licensed Arizona mortgage broker, the examiner found evidence that Dana received at least \$42,110.50 in mortgage loan origination and other settlement service fees. At least eleven (11) separate transactions involving Arizona real property closed during November, 2004 through March, 2005, specifically:

	11	
	1	a.) Borrowers Alan J. Holoubek and Renee Holoubek; 11/8/04, \$3,902.50
	2	b.) Borrowers Luis Altamirano and Emma Suarz; 12/7/04, \$3,387.00
	3	c.) Borrower Amer Kasm; 1/28/05, \$1,748.50
	4	d.) Borrower Jason K. Pierce; 3/1/05, \$3,332.00
	5	e.) Borrowers Jose Vitela and Blanca Canales; 1/31/05, \$3,261.00
	6	f.) Borrower Toledo Salvador; 1/5/05, \$5,712.50
	7	g.) Borrowers Edward Castillo and Maria Castillo; 12/20/04, \$4,105.00
· ·	8	h.) Borrower Renee Galaz; 12/8/04, \$4,285.00
	9	i.) Borrower Emilio Martinez; 11/24/04, \$4,420.00
	10	j.) Borrower Armando Sanchez; 12/14/04, \$3,625.00
	11	k.) Borrowers Jesus Lopez and Lidia Lopez; 11/16/04, \$4,332.00
	12	5. Based upon the above findings, the Department issued and served upon Dana and Mr.
	13	mith an Order to Cease and Desist; Notice of Opportunity For Hearing; Consent to Entry of Order
	14	'Cease and Desist Order") on November 30, 2005.
	15	6. On December 29, 2005, Petitioners filed a Request For Hearing to appeal the Cease
	16	nd Desist Order.
	17	7. The Department has found no evidence that Petitioners' violations were willful or
	18	ntentional.
	19	8. Petitioners have voluntarily agreed to take corrective action and have attempted to
	20	comply with the Department's requests. However, such finding does not waive any provisions of
	21	his Consent Order.
	22	CONCLUSIONS OF LAW
	23	1. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 6-901 et seq., the Superintendent has the authority and duty to
	24	egulate all persons engaged in the mortgage broker business and with the enforcement of statutes,
	25	ules and regulations relating to mortgage brokers.
	26	
		<b>2</b>

- 2. The conduct of Dana and Mr. Smith, as alleged above, constitutes the conduct of a mortgage broker in the State of Arizona without having first applied for and obtained a mortgage broker license, in violation of A.R.S. § 6-903(A).
- Neither Dana nor Mr. Smith meet any of the exemptions to the licensing requirements as a mortgage broker as set forth in A.R.S. § 6-902.
- 4. The violations set forth above constitute grounds for the issuance of an order directing Petitioners to cease and desist from the violative conduct and to take the appropriate affirmative actions, within a reasonable period of time prescribed by the Superintendent, to correct the conditions resulting from the unlawful acts, practices, and transactions, pursuant to A.R.S. § 6-137.
- The violations set forth above constitute grounds for the imposition of a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for each violation for each day, pursuant to A.R.S. § 6-132.

## ORDER

- Dana and Mr. Smith shall immediately stop all mortgage broker activity in Arizona until such time as Dana and Mr. Smith have obtained a mortgage broker license from the Superintendent as prescribed by A.R.S. §6-903.
- 2. Dana and Mr. Smith shall immediately pay to the Department a civil money penalty in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00). Dana and Mr. Smith are jointly and severally liable for payment of the civil money penalty.
- 3. The provisions of this Order shall be binding upon Petitioners, their employees, agents and other persons participating in the conduct of the affairs of Petitioners.
- 4. This Order shall become effective upon service, and shall remain effective and enforceable until such time as, and except to the extent that, it shall be stayed, modified, terminated or set aside.

	H
1	
2	De
3	Со
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	
11	ag
12	
13	F
14	sa
15	
16	fe
17	
18	te
19	
20	
21	

This Consent Order, by its terms, shall not preclude Petitioners from applying to the Department to acquire control of Dana Capital Group of Arizona, Inc., nor shall this Consent Order constitute the Superintendent's approval of that transaction.

SO ORDERED this 22rd day of

2006.

Felecia A. Rotellini

Superintendent of Financial Institutions

## CONSENT TO ENTRY OF ORDER

Petitioners, without admitting or denying the Findings of Fact set forth in this Consent Order, agree as follows:

- Petitioners acknowledge that they have been served with a copy of the foregoing

  Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order in the above-referenced matter, have read the same, are aware of their right to an administrative hearing in this matter, and have waived the same.
- Petitioners admit the jurisdiction of the Superintendent and consent to the entry of the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.
- 3. Petitioners state that no promise of any kind or nature has been made to induce them to consent to the entry of this Order, and that they have done so voluntarily.
- 4. Petitioners acknowledge that the acceptance of this Agreement by the Superintendent is solely to settle this matter and does not preclude this Department, any other agency or officer of this state or subdivision thereof from instituting other proceedings as may be appropriate now or in the future.
- 5. Dana H. Smith, on behalf of Dana Capital Group, Inc. and himself, represents that he is the President of Dana Capital Group, Inc. and that, as such, has been authorized by Dana Capital Group, Inc. to consent to the entry of this Order on its behalf.

22

23

24

25

	1	6. Petitioners waive all rights to seek judicial review or otherwise to challenge or contest
	2	the validity of the Cease and Desist Order or Notice of Hearing.
	3	DATED this 12 day of 1000, 2006
	4	THE TIME
	5	Ву:
	6	Dana H. Smith Planting.  Dana Capital Group, Inc.
	7	
	8	ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this 2 half
	9	day of March, 2006, in the office of:
	10	Felecia A. Rotellini
	11	Superintendent of Financial Institutions Arizona Department of Financial Institutions
	12	ATTN: June Beckwith 2910 N. 44th Street, Suite 310
<i>(</i>	13	Phoenix, AZ 85018
	14	COPY mailed same date to:
		Lewis D. Kowal
	15	Administrative Law Judge Office of the Administrative Hearings
	16	1400 West Washington, Suite 101 Phoenix, AZ 85007
	17	
	18	Craig A. Raby Assistant Attorney General
	19	Office of the Attorney General 1275 West Washington
	20	Phoenix, AZ 85007
	21	Robert D. Charlton, Assistant Superintendent Joan S. Doran, Senior Examiner
	22	Arizona Department of Financial Institutions
	23	2910 N. 44th Street, Suite 310 Phoenix, AZ 85018
	24	
( )	25	
	26	
•		

****	AND COPY MAILED SAME DATE by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, to:
2	Dana H. Smith, President
3	Dana Capital Group, Inc. 8001 Irvine Center Drive, Suite 1200
4	Irvine, California 92618 Petitioners
5	James E. Brophy, III, Esq.
6	RYLEY CARLOCK & APPLEWHITE One North Central Avenue, Suite 1200
. 7	Phoenix, Arizona 85004-4417 Attorneys for Petitioners
8	Thomas of total order
9	945659; CPAQB-356
10	
11	
12	
13	
14	
15	
16	
17	
18	
19	
20	
21	
22	
23	
24	
25	